### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of: Toshihar ONBA

Application No.: 09/368,572

Filed: August 5, 1999

For: PLANT PROMOTER AND METHOD ...

THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS

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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a [XX] Amendment [ ]\_ in the above-identified application.

- Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted
- A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- No additional fee is required. [ ]
- The fee has been calculated as shown below:

(Col. 1)			(Col. 2)	(Col. 3)	
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA EQUALS	
TOTAL	* 12	MINUS	** 20	0	
INDEP.	* 7	MINUS	*** 7	0	
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM					

	SMALL ENTITY			
		RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE	
	х	9	\$	
	×	42	\$	
	+	140	\$	
ADDITIONAL FEE TOTAL			\$	

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Washington, D.C.

Examiner: S. CHUNDURU

Atty.'s Docket: OHBA=1A Date: November 21, 2001

OR

OR

OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY RATE ADDITIONAL FEE \$ 18 \$ 84 280 \$ TOTAL \$

- If the entry in Col. 1 is less than the entry in Col. 2, write "0" in Col. 3.
- If the "Highest Number Previously Paid for" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, write "20" in this space.
- If the "Highest Number Previously Paid for" IN THIS SPACE is less than 3, write "3" in this space.

The "Highest Number Previously Paid For" (total or independent) is the highest number found from the equivalent box in Col. 1 of a prior amendment of the number of claims originally filed.

[XX] Conditional Petition for Extension of Time

If any extension of time for a response is required, applicant requests that this be considered a petition therefor.

[XX] It is hereby petitioned for an extension of time in accordance with 37 CFR 1.136(a). The appropriate fee required by 37 CFR 1.17 is calculated as shown below:

	Small Entity			Othe	r Than Small	Entity
	Response Filed W	Vithin		Resp	onse Filed W	/ithin
	[ ] First	- \$ 55.00		[XX]	First	- \$ 110.00
	[ ] Second	- \$ 200.00		[ ]	Second	- \$ 400.00
	[ ] Third	- \$ 460.00		[ ]	Third	- \$ 920.00
	[ ] Fourth	- \$ 720.00		[ ]	Fourth	- \$ 1440.00
	Month After Time Period Set		Mon	h After Time	Period Set	
[ ]			for month(s) extension			· •
[XX]	Credit Card Payment Form, PTO-2038, is attached, authorizing payment in the amount of \$110.00.					
1	A check in the amo	ount of \$	is attached (check no.	).		

The Commissioner is hereby authorized and requested to charge any additional fees which may be required in connection with this application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-4035. This authorization and request is not limited to payment of all fees associated with this communication, including any Extension of Time fee, not covered by check or specific authorization, but is also intended to include all fees for the presentation of extra claims under 37 CFR §1.16 and all patent processing fees under 37 CFR §1.17 throughout the prosecution of the case. This blanket authorization does not include patent issue fees under 37 CFR §1.18.

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### AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of July 26, 2001, petition an payment for a one month extension of time being attached hereto, please amend as follows:

### IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel non-elected claims 1-2 and 7-12 without prejudice to the filing of a divisional application thereon.

Please replace claims 3 and 5 with new rewritten claims 3 and 5 in amended form as follows below. A marked up version of the amended claims to show the changes made is attached hereto.

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